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SUBJECT: MORNING SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT REPORTS

1. SADAT UNDER PRESSURE TO ACT AGAINST SOVIETS

NOTING THAT EGYPTIAN PRESIDENT SADAT SEEMS TO BE UNDER DOMESTIC PRESSURE TO DEMONSTRATE DISPLEASURE WITH THE USSR BY MAKING AN OVERT ANTI-SOVIET MOVE, OUR INTERESTS SECTION IN CAIRO SUGGESTS THE US TAKE ACTION TO HELP SADAT MAKE UP HIS MIND TO LESSEN EGYPT'S ASSOCIATION WITH THE SOVIET UNION. THE SECTION OBSERVES THAT US SUPPORT FOR EGYPT IN ITS DISPUTE WITH ISRAEL ON THE TERRITORIAL ISSUES WOULD PRODUCE THE QUICKEST PAYOFF. AN EASING OF OUR ARMS EMBARGO, OFFERS OF WHEAT SALES ON CCC CREDIT TERMS, OR EXIM BANK FINANCING OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT WOULD ALSO GAIN THE FAVOR OF THE EGYPTIAN GOVERNMENT. (SECRET) CAIRO 2122, 7/14 (EXDIS).

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2. EMBASSY TEHRAN URGES IRAN NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR ICCS

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EMBASSY TEHRAN EXPRESSES THE BELIEF THAT IT WOULD BE CONTRARY TO US INTERESTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND DETRIMENTAL TO US-IRANIAN RELATIONS FOR IRAN TO BE ASKED TO REPLACE CANADA ON THE ICCS. THE EMBASSY FEELS IRRITANTS WOULD DEVELOP BETWEEN THE US AND IRAN IF IRAN SERVED ON THE ICCS. MOREOVER IRAN'S CONSTRUCTIVE ROLE IN DEALING WITH PERSIAN GULF AND ENERGY PROBLEMS WOULD BE UNDERMINED IF IT BORE THE MARK OF THE US CHOICE ON THE ICCS. (SECRET) TEHRAN 4951, 7/14 (EXDIS).

3. EMERGENCY ARMS SUPPLY TO YEMEN ARA REPUPLIC

THE DEPARTMENT HAS INFORMED EMBASSY SANAA THE USG IS PREPARED TO SUPPLY THE EMERGENCY ARMS AND AMMUNITION THE YEMEN ARAB REPUBLIC HAS REQUESTED, PROVIDED THEY ARE DELIVERED BY THE JORDANIAN OR THE SAUDI ARABIAN AIR FORCE AND ARE PAID FOR BY ABU DHABI OR BY YEMEN ITSELF. (SECRET) STATE 138643, 7/14 (EXDIS).

4. SIHANOUK STATES US SHOULD NEGOTIATE WITH RED KHMER

OUR LIAISON OFFICE IN PEKING REPORTS THAT SERGE ROMENSKY, WHO RECENTLY INTERVIEWED PRINCE SIHANOUK FOR AFP, TOLD A USLO OFFICER THAT HE WAS STRUCK BY THE EMPHASIS SIHANOUK PLACES ON THE NEED FOR THE US TO NEGOTIATE ITS WITHDRAWAL FROM CAMBODIA WITH THE RED KHMER AND NOT WITH HIM. ROMENSKY BELIEVES SIHANOUK FEELS NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD BE CONDUCTED WITH LENG SARY, THE CHIEF RED KHMER REPRESENTATIVE IN PEKING. (CONFIDENTIAL) PEKING 560, 7/14. RUSH

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